IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attention:

Office of Finance

In re Application of:

GULBRANDSEN et al.

Serial No.: 08/845,134

Filed: 04-21-97

For: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF CONTRAST AGENTS

REQUEST FOR REFUND UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.26

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The undersigned has recently become aware that Deposit Account No. 02-0200 has been erroneously charged \$220.00 under fee code 104 and \$40.00 under fee code 581 in connection with the above identified application. The charge was made on 6-3-97.

The undersigned respectfully submits that the Preliminary Amendment filed with the original application papers on April 21, 1997, canceled the multiple dependent claims. None of claims 1-12 were in multiple dependent form, and the filing fee was properly calculated by the undersigned. Copies of the Preliminary Amendment and the Transmittal Letter for the application are attached. Accordingly, the charge of \$260.00 is clearly erroneous and should be refunded to Deposit Account No. 02-0200. Early notification thereof is requested.

A duplicate of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: September 4, 1997

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J.,	
Transmi	tted herewith for filing under 35 USC 111 and 37 CFR 1.53 is the Design XI Utility patent application of:
	INVENTOR: Trygve GULBRANDSEN et al.
•	ENTITLED: Process for the Preparation of Contrast Agents
Enclose	d are:
	■ 12 pages of written description, claims and abstract.
	□ 0 sheet(s) of drawings.
	An assignment of the invention to NYCOMED IMAGING AS
	☑ Executed declaration of the inventors.
	☐ A certified copy of a application. Priority is claimed if not already of record.
	☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

☑ Preliminary amendment.

ITEM AS FILED		# EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY		FULL FEE		
Basic Fee				☐ Utility ☐ Design	\$385. \$160.	X Utility Design	\$770. \$320.
Total Claims	12	- 20 =	0 1	× \$ 11 =		× \$ 22 =	0
Independent Claims	2	- 3 =	0 2	× \$ 40 =		× \$ 80 =	0
☐ Multiple Dependent Claims in Proper Form Presented			+ \$130 =		+ \$260 =	0	
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A check in the amount of \$810.00 to cover the filing fee and assignment recording fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including patent application filing fees and processing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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DATE: __April 21, 1997

Respectfully submitted,



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 11, line 1, delete "or claim 10".

Please add the following claim to the application:

--12. A process as claimed in claim 10, being a process for the preparation of a contrast agent selected from the group consisting of iomeprol, ioversol, ioxilan, iotrolan, ioxaglate, iodecimol, 2-iopyrol, 2-iopiperidol, iohexol, iopentol and iodixanol.--

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the claims in order to remove the multiple dependency from claim 11 and reintroduce the cancelled subject matter as new claim 12.

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